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RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Steve Wall, District Manager Petroglyph Energy, Inc. 4116 West 3000 So. Ioka Lane Roosevelt, UT 84066

RE: Additional Well to Antelope Creek Area Permit

UIC Area Permit No. UT20736-00000

Well ID: UT20736-04540

Ute Tribal 20-14, Duchesne County, Utah

Dear Mr. Wall:

The Petroglyph Operating Company, Inc. (Petroglyph) request to convert the former Green River Formation oil well, the Ute Tribal 20-14, to an enhanced recovery injection well in the Antelope Creek Waterflood project is hereby authorized by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) under the terms and conditions of the Authorization For Additional Well.

The addition of the proposed injection well, within the exterior boundary of the Uintah & Ouray Indian Reservation, is being made under the authority of 40 CFR §144.33 (c) and terms of the Antelope Creek Waterflood UIC Area Permit No. UT20736-00000. Unless specifically mentioned in the enclosed Authorization For Additional Well, the Ute Tribal20-14 is subject to all terms and conditions of the UIC Area Permit UT20736-00000 as modified.

Please be aware that Petroglyph does not have authorization to begin injection operations into the well until all <u>Prior to Commencing Injection</u> requirements have been submitted and evaluated by the EPA, and Petroglyph has received written authorization from the Director to begin injection.

Prior to receiving authorization to inject, the EPA requires that Petroglyph submit for review and approval the following: (1) the results of a **Part I (Internal) mechanical integrity**

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test (MIT), (2) a pore pressure calculation of the injection interval, and (3) a completed EPA Form No. 7520-12 Well Rework Record.

The initial Maximum Allowable Injection Pressure (MAIP) for the Ute Tribal 20-14 was determined to be <u>1545 psig.</u> UIC Area Permit UT20736-00000 also provides the opportunity for the permittee to request a change in the MAIP based upon results of a step rate test that demonstrates that the formation breakdown pressure will not be exceeded.

If you have any questions, please call Mr. Dan Jackson at (303) 312-6155 or 1.800.227.8917 (Ext. 6155). Please submit the required data to <u>ATTENTION: DAN JACKSON</u>, at the letterhead address, citing <u>MAIL CODE: 8P-W-GW</u> very prominently.

Sincerely,

Stephen S. Tuber Assistant Regional Administrator Office of Partnerships and Regulatory Assistance

encl: Authorization For Conversion of An Additional Well EPA Form No. 7520-12 (Well Rework Record)

cc: without enclosures

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